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Serial No.: 09/160,991
Filed: September 25, 1998
Group Art Unit: 3724
Examiner: Hwei-Sui Payer
Applicant: Zhang et al.
Title: CUTTING DIE AND METHOD OF FORMING

Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

October 17, 2000

Box FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is responsive to the Office action mailed July 20, 2000. The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-19 are pending in the application, claims 1-13 are rejected, and claims 13-19 are withdrawn from consideration. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please add the following claims:

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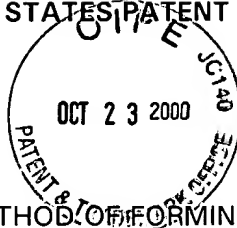
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
2. ☐ Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
☐ Enclosed is a verified statement to establish small entity status.
☒ Other Than a Small Entity.
3. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee	Rate	Addit. Fee
TOTAL	* 27	MINUS	** 20	7	x 9	\$	x18	\$ 126
INDEP.	* 8	MINUS	*** 5	3	x40	\$	x80	\$ 240
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ 135	\$	+ 270	\$
					TOTAL FEE	\$	TOTAL FEE	\$ 366

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

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The "Highest No. Previously Paid for" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

4. Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____.

☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$_____.

A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

5. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

- (a) _____ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

<u>Extension (months)</u>	<u>Fee for other than small entity</u>	<u>Fee for small entity</u>
_____ one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
_____ two months	\$ 390.00	\$ 195.00
_____ three months	\$ 890.00	\$ 445.00
_____ four months	\$1,390.00	\$ 695.00
_____ five months	\$1,890.00	\$ 945.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)


_____ An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$_____.

OR

- (b) X Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

 X If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Acct. No. 23-3000.

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